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SUBJECT: MP JACQUES LAVOIE SWITCHES TO LIBERALS

REF: MONTREAL (75) 1446

1. IT WAS PUBLICLY CONFIRMED JUNE 14 THAT PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE (PC) MP JACQUES LAVOIE (FROM HOCHELAGA RIDING IN MONTREAL) HAD, LIKE JACK HORNER SEVERAL WEEKS BEFORE, DEFECTED FROM PCS AND JOINED LIBERAL PARTY. IN LETTER TO LIBERAL CAUCUS, LAVOIE REPORTEDLY CITED INTERNAL PC SQUABBLING AND THE NATIONAL UNITY CRISIS AS HIS REASONS FOR THE MOVE.

2. LAVOIE SWITCH NOW HAS COMMONS STANDINGS: LIBERALS 142; PC 94; NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY (NDP) 16; SOCIAL CREDIT 11; AND ONE INDEPENDENT.

3. COMMENT: LAVOIE'S MAIN CLAIM TO POLITICAL FAME CAME WITH HIS STARTLING UPSET VICTORY OVER TRUDEAU'S HAND-PICKED CANDIDATE, PIERRE JUNEAU, IN OCTOBER 1975 BY-ELECTION, (REFTEL). SINCE THEN, HE HAS PROVED TO BE STRONG CONSTITUENCY REPRESENTATIVE BUT NONENTITY IN PC
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NATIONAL AFFAIRS. HIS DEFECTION, THEREFORE, IS NOT CLOSE TO ORDER OF IMPORTANCE OF EARLIER HORNER MOVE. IT IS, HOWEVER, YET ANOTHER IN SERIES OF SETBACKS FOR PC LEADER CLARK'S LEADERSHIP AND REDUCES PC REPRESENTATION IN QUEBEC FROM FOUR TO THREE SEATS. ENDERS

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